

DEPARTMENT • 14

HAY, FORAGE, & STRAW

Chair – Ron Hoover

Judges – TBA

RULES

See General Rules and Regulations online at <https://www.farmshow.pa.gov/pafarmshow/exhibit/rules-regulations>

Use general entry blank online at <https://www.farmshow.pa.gov/pafarmshow/exhibit/forms-registration>

An entry fee of \$1 per straw, silage, or baleage entry will be charged for each entry registered by 12/15/2023.

An entry fee of \$2 per straw, silage, or baleage entry will be charged for each entry registered after 12/15/2023.

2023 HAY ENTRIES CLOSE AT 10:00 A.M., AUGUST 9, 2023

NEW: ALL OTHER 2023 ENTRIES CLOSE AT 6:00 P.M., JANUARY 4, 2024.

ALL OTHER 2023 ENTRIES MUST BE POSTMARKED PRIOR TO DECEMBER 1, 2023.

Hay samples must be submitted anytime prior to and including the dates above to: **Department of Agronomy, c/o Dr. Guojie Wang, 116 ASI Building, Pennsylvania State University, University Park, PA 16802. The 2024 Farm Show Hay Contest will only include entries submitted during Ag Progress Days. Entry Deadline will be August 9, 2023. All samples must be delivered to Department of Agronomy, c/o Dr. Guojie Wang.**

1. The Hay and/or Straw shown must have been grown by the exhibitor in Pennsylvania since the 2023 Farm Show.
2. Exhibitors may enter in as many classes as they wish, but no exhibitor shall make more than one entry in a class, either in her/his own name, the name of a farm, or the name of some other person. Samples which in the opinion of the hay and straw show committee are not suitable quality for competition will be disqualified prior to chemical evaluation.
3. Any entries delivered without pre-registration and full payment will be disqualified.
4. Hay exhibits will be judged on the basis of both visual and chemical evaluation. Straw exhibits will be judged on the basis of visual evaluation, color, and cleanliness.
5. All hay, straw, and baleage exhibits shall consist of a small bale section (14"x18", maximum) 4" to 6" thick, or the equivalent amount if cut from hay or straw in a large bale. Long hay and straw only. All silage & baleage exhibits shall consist of a least 1 gallon of product in a sealed clear plastic container.
6. Every exhibitor must place on inside of package containing her/his exhibit or exhibits an entry blank for each exhibit, giving name, address, county, and class in which the exhibit is entered. Unclassed exhibits will be disqualified. The entry blank will be removed and a number substituted until the judging is completed.
7. All straw samples must be delivered to the Pennsylvania Farm Show Complex & Expo Center by 6:00 p.m. on Thursday, January 4, 2024.
8. All exhibits will be destroyed at the close of the show. No exhibits will be returned to the exhibitor.
9. Judging will begin at 8:00 a.m. on Friday, January 5, 2024.

DIVISION 0001 HAY: FIELD CURED (NO HEAT OR HAY PRESERVATIVES)

- Class 1.** **Alfalfa - First Cutting.** Alfalfa from stands at least one year old with *not over* 10% grasses.
- Class 2.** **Alfalfa - Later Cutting.** Alfalfa with *not over* 10% grasses.
- Class 3.** **Alfalfa-Grass Mixed - First Cutting.** A mixture of alfalfa and grass with *over* 50% being alfalfa.
- Class 4.** **Grass-Alfalfa Mixed - First Cutting.** A mixture of alfalfa and grass with *over* 50% being grass.
- Class 5.** **Alfalfa-Grass Mixed - Later Cutting.** A mixture of alfalfa and grass with *over* 50% being alfalfa.
- Class 6.** **Grass-Alfalfa Mixed - Later Cutting.** A mixture of alfalfa and grass with *over* 50% being grass.
- Class 7.** **Clover.** Clover with *not over* 20% grasses.
- Class 8.** **Clover-Grass Mixed - Any Cutting.** A mixture of clover and grass with *not over* 50% grasses.
- Class 9.** **Orchardgrass - First Cutting.** Pure species at least 90% Orchardgrass.
- Class 10.** **Timothy - First Cutting.** Pure species at least 90% Timothy.
- Class 11.** **Other Species Grass - First Cutting.** Pure species (e.g. brome, fescue, etc.) at least 90%.
- Class 12.** **Mixed Grass - First Cutting.** A mixture of two or more grass species, must be 90% grass.
- Class 13.** **Grass - Later Cutting.** Must be 90% grass.

DIVISION 0002 HAY: HEAT OR MECHANICALLY DRIED OR WITH PRESERVATIVES

- Class 21.** **Alfalfa - First Cutting.** Alfalfa from stands at least one year old with *not over* 10% grasses.
- Class 22.** **Alfalfa - Later Cutting.** Alfalfa with *not over* 10% grasses.
- Class 23.** **Alfalfa-Grass Mixed - First Cutting.** A mixture of alfalfa and grass with *over* 50% being alfalfa.
- Class 24.** **Grass-Alfalfa Mixed - First Cutting.** A mixture of alfalfa and grass with *over* 50% being grass.
- Class 25.** **Alfalfa-Grass Mixed - Later Cutting.** A mixture of alfalfa and grass with *over* 50% being alfalfa.
- Class 26.** **Grass-Alfalfa Mixed - Later Cutting.** A mixture of alfalfa and grass with *over* 50% being grass.
- Class 27.** **Clover.** Clover with *not over* 20% grasses.
- Class 28.** **Clover-Grass Mixed - Any Cutting.** A mixture of clover and grass with *not over* 50% grasses.
- Class 29.** **Orchardgrass - First Cutting.** Pure species at least 90% Orchardgrass.
- Class 30.** **Timothy - First Cutting.** Pure species at least 90% Timothy.
- Class 31.** **Other Species Grass - First Cutting.** Pure species (e.g. brome, fescue, etc.) at least 90%.
- Class 32.** **Mixed Grass - First Cutting.** A mixture of two or more grass species, must be 90% grass.
- Class 33.** **Grass - Later Cutting.** Must be 90% grass.

DIVISION 0003**HAY CHAMPIONS**

- Class 61. Grand Champion - All Classes Competing
 Class 62. Reserve Grand Champion

		PREMIUMS				
Class #	1 st	2 nd	3 rd	4 th	5 th	
1-13, 21-33	\$25	\$16	\$12	\$10	\$8	
61 & 62	Ribbon					

DIVISION 0004**STRAW & FODDER**

- Class 65. Wheat Straw
 Class 66. Barley Straw
 Class 67. Oat Straw
 Class 68. Rye Straw
 Class 69. Other Straw
 Class 70. Grand Champion - All Classes Competing
 Class 71. Reserve Grand Champion

		PREMIUMS				
Class #	1 st	2 nd	3 rd	4 th	5 th	
65-69	\$25	\$16	\$12	\$10	\$8	
70 & 71	Ribbon					

DIVISION 0005**SILAGE**

- Class 73. Oat Silage
 Class 74. Triticale Silage
 Class 75. Rye Silage
 Class 76. Corn Silage
 Class 77. Alfalfa Silage
 Class 78. Other Silage
 Class 79. Grand Champion - All Classes Competing
 Class 80. Reserve Grand Champion

		PREMIUMS				
Class #	1 st	2 nd	3 rd	4 th	5 th	
73-78	\$25	\$16	\$12	\$10	\$8	
79 & 80	Ribbon					

DIVISION 0006**BALEAGE**

- Class 81. **Alfalfa - First Cutting.** Alfalfa from stands at least 1 year old with *not over* 10% grasses.
 Class 82. **Alfalfa - Later Cutting.** Alfalfa with *not over* 10% grasses.
 Class 83. **Alfalfa-Grass Mixed - First Cutting.** A mixture of alfalfa and grass with *over* 50% being alfalfa.
 Class 84. **Grass-Alfalfa Mixed - First Cutting.** A mixture of alfalfa and grass with *over* 50% being grass.
 Class 85. **Alfalfa-Grass Mixed - Later Cutting.** A mixture of alfalfa and grass with *over* 50% being alfalfa.
 Class 86. **Grass-Alfalfa Mixed - Later Cutting.** A mixture of alfalfa and grass with *over* 50% being grass.
 Class 87. **Clover.** Clover with *not over* 20% grasses.
 Class 88. **Clover-Grass Mixed - Any Cutting.** A mixture of clover and grass with *not over* 50% grasses.
 Class 89. **Orchardgrass - First Cutting.** Pure species at least 90% Orchardgrass.
 Class 90. **Mixed Grass - First Cutting.** A mixture of two or more grass species, must be 90% grass
 Class 91. Grand Champion - All Classes Competing
 Class 92. Reserve Grand Champion

		PREMIUMS				
Class #	1 st	2 nd	3 rd	4 th	5 th	
81-90	\$25	\$16	\$12	\$10	\$8	
91 & 92	Ribbon					